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Re:

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For: Modulation Circuit Including A Feedback Loop With An Embedded

Mapper (as amended)

Inventor:

Kevin L. MILLER

Our Ref:

1875.3910000

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Fee Transmittal (PTO/SB/17);
- 2. Preliminary Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.115;
- 3. Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$72.00 to cover the excess claims fee; and
- 4. One (1) return postcard.

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Preliminary Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.115

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In advance of prosecution, Applicant submits the following amendments and remarks. This Preliminary Amendment is provided in the following format:

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 - (C) Starting on a separate sheet, a complete listing of all of the claims:
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 - with status identifiers; and
 - with markings in the currently amended claims;
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